Amendment No. 1 to SB0977

McNally Signature of Sponsor

AMEND Senate Bill No. 977*

House Bill No. 1310

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-202(c)(7), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

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SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 2, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:

- (a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of Tennessee, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-203, shall be issued a Teachers new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).
- (b) The purpose of the new specialty earmarked plates provided for in this section is to recognize the important role teachers play in Tennessee and pay tribute to such heroes in our local communities. Such plates shall contain an appropriate logo or other design representative of teacher in consultation with the commissioner of education.
- (c) The funds produced from the sale of Teachers new specialty earmarked license plates shall be allocated to the department of education in accordance with § 55-4-215. Such funds shall be used exclusively to fund scholarships for licensed teachers who seek additional higher education in this state. The scholarship program shall be administered by the department of education to provide such scholarships based on the same criteria as used for the teacher of the year program.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009, the public welfare requiring it.